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Description: Since Dilger's leaving he has been especially busy with people coming to the station - some bring gifts of yams, rice, maize, pepper, groundnuts, onions, hens and eggs - others come with problems. The two most persistent of the latter are the request to be employed as a carrier - often 4 or 5 will come in a short time, one after the other with this request. There are to the requests for loans - in one day he was troubled by 5 people who together wanted £10 in loans. It is difficult to send such people away, especially when they have a child living with the missionaries as servants. Of the 7 ex-students who did not return to the Boarding School at the beginning of the year 3 or 4 have said clearly that they want to be Christians but do not want to attend the school (they are attending services regularly on the station). There is the additional information that two of the non-returned schoolboys had indeed been sold, while one was withheld since his relatives could not raise a loan of £4 from the missionaries. There is a subscript by Paul Steiner that Tschopp must use the Word 'Knaben' and not 'Buben' when talking about boys in the school and in his services.

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